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Hacienda Heights Man Convicted of Child Sex Abuse

A 51-year-old man accused of sexually molesting several female family members was convicted yesterday, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Babette Huley said the jury deliberated for two hours before finding Juan Hernandez (dob 6/20/62), of Hacienda Heights, guilty of one count of continuous sexual abuse and four counts of lewd act upon a child in case KA103289.

Hernandez is scheduled to be sentenced June 26 at the Los Angeles County Superior Court in Pomona before Judge Robert M. Martinez. The defendant faces a maximum sentence of 60 years to life in state prison.

The prosecutor said Hernandez sexually molested four underage family members at various times between March 1999 and July 2007.

Authorities were notified about the sexual abuse and the defendant was arrested Sept. 26, 2013 and held on \$4 million bail.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Special Victims Bureau.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the <u>Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office</u> prosecuted more than 73,000 felony defendants and 113,000 misdemeanor defendants.